

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

Elimination of Child Labour – Setting up of State Child Labour Monitoring & Evaluation Cell in pursuance to the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India – Orders – Issued.

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LABOUR EMPLOYMENT TRAINING & FACTORIES (LAB.IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 1280

Dated: 11.11.2010

Read the following:-

1. Judgement of Supreme Court of India dated 10.12.1996 in the M.C. Mehtha Vs. State of Tamil Nadu and others.
2. G.O. Ms. No. 60, dt.23.08.2007 of School Education (SSA) Department.
3. G.O. Ms. No. 348 of General Administration (A.R & T.I) Department dt.03.06.2008.
4. Note on Agenda for the meeting of the Central Monitoring Committee on Child Labour held on 20.09.2010 at New Delhi.
5. Minutes of the meeting of the Central Monitoring Committee dt. 22.09.2010.
6. Govt. Memo no.7234/Lab-IV/A2/08-4 dt.23.09.2010.
7. From the UNICEF, Lr.No.Hyd/CP/AP/2010/698, dated:21.10.2010.

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A State Level Monitoring Committee for Elimination of Child Labour was constituted with the Chief Secretary to Government of Andhra Pradesh as Chairman and other concerned Principal Secretaries and Heads of departments as members vide reference 2nd cited.

2. The subject of Elimination and rehabilitation of Child Labour including the supervision of National Child Labour Project was transferred to the Labour Employment, Training and Factories Department during the year 2008 vide reference 3rd cited.

3. As per the Agenda notes on the meeting of the Central Monitoring Committee on Child Labour held on 20.09.2010 at New Delhi chaired by the Secretary, Ministry of Labour & Employment, Government of India, necessity to strengthen State Level Monitoring Committee and Child Labour Cell to oversee and review State Action Plan for Elimination of Child Labour, was stressed. The member States are supposed to intimate action taken in this report and details of the Action Plan Implementation intimated to National Human Rights Commission / Government of India from time to time.

4. In pursuance to the directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India vide reference 1st cited, a Child Labour Cell was constituted by drafting staff on deputation from the department of Labour & Factories vide Memo 5th cited till regular arrangements are placed in position to assist the Secretary, Labour, Employment, Training & Factories Department in A.P. Secretariat.

5. The State Action Plan for prevention and Elimination of Child Labour was approved by an Expert Committee. The State Action Plan for Prevention and Elimination of Child Labour also provides for constitution of District Resource Centre and District Level Committee for convergence and monitoring. It was also proposed to constitute such Committees at Mandal / Municipality / Village level. Funds were also provided by the International Labour Organisation for constitution of State Resource Center and District Resource Centres till recently. A proposal was made for provision of Rs.22 Crores as part of regular budget of the Labour Departments to implement the state Action Plan and approval of the Finance Department is awaited.

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6. To this end, the UNICEF was approached to strengthen State Child Labour Cell as they have done in respect of Women Development, Child Welfare and Disabled Welfare department in the recent past. The request of the Secretary, department of Labour, Employment, Training & Factories was agreed to and the Terms of Reference and Budget for the year 2010-2011 indicated for the State Child Labour Monitoring Cell at A.P. Secretariat. The UNICEF is willing to support the cell for two years with a vision that thereafter the cell will be supported as part of regular budget of the department.

7. Government, after careful examination of the matter, hereby issue the following orders to strengthen the State Child Labour Monitoring & Evaluation Cell:-

- a) The State Child Labour Monitoring & Evaluation Cell shall be located in the Labour, Employment, Training & Factories Department at A.P. Secretariat, Hyderabad to assist and function under the direct administrative control of the Secretary, LET & F Department.
- b) The Cell is permitted to avail the administrative / managerial assistance from UNICEF to strengthen this activities and to open a savings bank account to be jointly operated by the State coordinator and the Commissioner of Labour with due approval of the Secretary, LET & F Department.
- c) The Cell is entrusted with the following among other duties to review and monitor:
 - Collection and utilization of funds including obtaining Child Labour data.
 - Inspection of the Complaints received.
 - Coordination with other stake holders / partner departments.
 - Organising State Level Meetings / Workshops for suggestions for effective implementations of the provisions of the Act.
 - To conduct regular inspections / visits of the Transit Homes and NCLP Schools and NGO's
 - To undertake study tours to the neighboring states for studying the best practices adopted by the concerned departments
- d) The Monitoring Cell will have the following Officers / Staff to carry out the duties and responsibilities entrusted to the Cell:-

Sl. No.	Name S/ Sri / Smt.	Designation
1	D. V. Padmaja	Assistant Labour Officer (Coordination)
2	Mohd. Rahman	Senior Assistant
3	B. Anand Paul	Senior Assistant
4	P. Rajanarsaiah	Jamedar
5.	To be recruited on contract basis, salary from the funds of ILO	Data Entry Operator-Data Analyst

- e) The Assistant Labour Officer (Co-ordination) shall act as State Coordinator of the State Child Labour Monitoring Cell and obtain information reports to effectively monitor the State Action Plan for Elimination of Child Labour in assisting the Secretary, LET & F Department.

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- f) The State Coordinator is permitted to open a savings Bank account in any of the Nationalized Bank with the name and style "STATE CHILD LABOUR MONITORING CELL " (UNICEF) headed by the Secretary, LET & F Department.
- g) The scope of the cell is to keep the tasks specific with clear outputs indicated. The cell will function as support to the State Government and will drawn on resources both technical, financial and human when necessary from other partner departments and key functionaries, UNICEF, NGOs and sector experts.
8. The key tasks for 2010-2011 involving policy frame work are as follows:
- Enhancing quality standards in the interaction towards enforcement, rescue, rehabilitation and prosecution aspects of Child Labour at the State Level;
 - Strengthening the MIS systems on key data pertaining to Child Labour in the State;
 - Assessment of required linkages of education to school health, inclusion issues with reference to child labour and process of mainstreaming working / migrant children;
 - Assessment of training requirements of enforcing agencies and the key functionary departments in relation to rescue and rehabilitation of Child Labour.
9. This order issue with the concurrence of Finance Department vide their U.O.No.2449/174/Expenditure.L/10, dated:11.11.2010.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA RADESH)

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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